



## City of Cincinnati

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### MEDIA ALERT

## 8<sup>th</sup> Street Viaduct to Close May 12

*Reconstruction will include two bridge replacements, rehab of Viaduct*

**What** The **8<sup>th</sup> Street Viaduct Reconstruction Project** will include the reconstruction of the Viaduct and the replacement of two bridges between Freeman Avenue and State Avenue. The project, located in Queensgate and Lower Price Hill, is expected to last until late summer 2009.

Signage announcing the closure to motorists was erected yesterday, April 14.

**Lane Restrictions** **Beginning May 12, 8<sup>th</sup> Street will be closed between Freeman and State Avenues.** This closure is expected to last approximately six months.

During the next phase of construction, which is scheduled to begin in November, the 8<sup>th</sup> Street Viaduct will reopen for traffic. However, only one lane will be open in each direction until the project is completed.

**Detour Routes** Beginning May 12, 8<sup>th</sup> Street will be closed between Freeman Avenue and State Street. Motorists can use the following detours:

**Westbound on 8<sup>th</sup> Street:** Drive south on Freeman Avenue. Turn west onto 6<sup>th</sup> Street, then merge to westbound River Road. Turn north at State Avenue and follow to westbound 8<sup>th</sup> Street/Glenway Avenue.

**Eastbound Glenway Avenue:** Travel south on State Avenue, then turn east onto River Road/6<sup>th</sup> Street. Turn north on Freeman, then east on 8<sup>th</sup> Street. Also, motorists can follow 6<sup>th</sup> Street to the 5<sup>th</sup> street exits for downtown, 50 East/Columbia Parkway/Fort Washington Way or the I-71/I-75 South/2<sup>nd</sup> Street exit.

For a map of the area, please [click here](#).

**About** The \$22-million 8<sup>th</sup> Street Viaduct Reconstruction Project is a joint effort of the City of Cincinnati, Hamilton County, the Ohio Department of Transportation, the Ohio Public Works Commission, and the Ohio-Kentucky-Indiana Regional Council of Governments. The contractor for the project is The Great Lakes Construction Company.

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